Let $F$ be a family of disjoint translates of a compact convex set in the plane. In 1980 Katchalski and Lewis showed that there exists a constant $k$, independent of $F$, such that if every three members of $F$ are met by a line, then a “large” subfamily $G \subset F$, with $|F \setminus G| \leq k$, is met by a line. We present a higher-dimensional analogue containing the original Katchalski-Lewis result. (Received August 11, 2005)